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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 2, 2002 (Paper No. 10) in the above identified application. Applicants are also enclosing a Request for Extension of Time for 1-month and a check for the requisite fee.

Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

In the Specification

Attached is a marked-up version of page 8, line 1 and a clean version of page 8, line 1. Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 8, line 1, replace "Claims" with -- We claim --.